

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Last paragraph on page 1 and continuing on page 2:

This application is related to U.S. patent applications Serial No. 09/487,708 filed January 19, 2000, now abandoned and entitled Methods of Soft Palate Reduction By Thermal Ablation Using High Intensity Focused Ultrasound, Serial No. 09/487,707 filed January 19, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,413,254 and entitled Methods of Tongue Base Reduction By Thermal Ablation Using High Intensity Focused Ultrasound, Serial No. 09/487,709 filed January 19, 2000, now abandoned and entitled Methods of Tonsil Reduction By Thermal Ablation Using High Intensity Focused Ultrasound, Serial No. 09/487,706 filed January 19, 2000, now abandoned and entitled Methods of Turbinate Or Other Soft Tissue Reduction By Thermal Ablation Using High Intensity Focused Ultrasound, Serial No. ~~09/488,844~~ 09/487,705 filed January ~~21~~ 19, 2000, now ~~U.S. Patent No. 6,361,531~~ abandoned and entitled Methods of Skin Rejuvenation [By Thermal Stimulation] Using High Intensity Focused Ultrasound To Form An Ablated Tissue Area Containing A Plurality Of Lesions, and Serial No. 09/488,844 filed January 21, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,361,531 and entitled Focused Ultrasound Ablation Devices Having Malleable Handle Shafts and Methods of Using the Same, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.